Chapter 14 - I'm not Pretending...

THIS SWEET SMELL... THIS MELTING SENSATION...
AH... KOKORO-SAN, I'M SORRY!
Why am I apologizing anyway?!
A SOFT PUDDING IS NOTHING COMPARED TO THIS...

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HOW WAS IT?
Mmm
.....
.....
GOING TO HEAVEN ...
UMM ...

ONE MORE TIME...
WAIT...
A...
SECOND TIME!!
BUT...
I GUESS IT'S IMPOSSIBLE AFTER ALL ...

DON'T CALL IT "PRETENDING"!
I KNEW IT... I GUESS PRETENDING TO BE LOVERS WASN'T ANY GOOD...
PRETENDING ANYMORE...
I'M NOT...
!?
HEY, LET'S HAVE SOME ICE-CREAM!

YOU CAN'T EVEN EAT IT ANYWAY...
HEY... WAIT A MINUTE!
LET ME EAT A LITTLE MORE!
HURRY UP!
HURRY UP!
Yum ♡

.....
THE DEATH GOD SAID IT'S DIFFICULT FOR PEOPLE WHO COMMIT SUICIDE TO GO TO HEAVEN...
WHEN SOMEONE WHO'S DIED CAN'T GO TO HEAVEN, IT'S BECAUSE OF FEELINGS THEY'VE LEFT BEHIND?
I REALLY CAN'T FIND MINE THOUGH ...

HEY... WASN'T IT TOO SOON...
FOR SUICIDE?
SHUT UP... MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS!
YOU SEE... I DON'T HAVE ANY DREAMS IN THIS WORLD ANYMORE.
HOWEVER ...
WHEN I WAS ALIVE, I HAD A SONG "DREAMS COME TRUE".
OF COURSE, I REALLY WANTED THE LISTENERS' DREAMS TO COME TRUE AT THAT TIME.
14歳
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THE DREAMS THAT PEOPLE REALLY WANT TO COME TRUE PROBABLY WON'T...
THE DREAMS THAT COME TRUE IN A PERSON'S LIFETIME ARE ALL SMALL ONES...
BUT...

I'M SURE THAT I ALSO THOUGHT MY LIFE WOULD BECOME AN ORDINARY LIFE THAT LEFT NO IMPRESSION...
AT SOME POINT, I BECAME LIKE THAT...
EVERYONE DIES HAVING LIVED AN ORDINARY LIFE...
MOST PEOPLE MAKE EXCUSES, MAKING A COMPROMISE AND REPLACING THE DREAMS THAT ARE CLOSE TO THEM.

SO THAT'S WHY YOU "RESET" ...
IT WAS TOO SOON AFTER ALL.
THE FEELING
LEFT BEHIND AFTER YOU COMMITTED SUICIDE...
COULD IT BE THE LIFE THAT YOU GAVE UP ON...?

The feelings remaining from a life lived...
that would be impossible to achieve...
TAICHI, LET'S GO HOME.
Ah THAT'S RIGHT. ♡
WE'RE LOVERS.

HEY ...
WHY DON'T WE STOP THIS NOW?
IT'S OKAY!
.....
SHE MIGHT CONTINUE TO WANDER THROUGH THIS WORLD.
UNABLE TO FIND HER ANSWER, SHE'LL BE LOST FOR ETERNITY, SUFFERING ...

THINGS HAVE GOTTEN KINDA DEPRESS-ING...
IF ALL THAT'S AHEAD IS SPIRITS THAT CAN'T GO TO HEAVEN...
WHAT'LL HAPPEN TO KOKORO-SAN AND I?
Come true. Dreams come true. ♡
You can do anything! ♡
smiling, jumping...

UH?!
Don't give up, don't lose! Okay? ♡
!?
You...
THAT'S... MY SONG? THAT VOICE...
seems kinda familiar...
can do it!

AT AN AMUSE-MENT PARK BY YOURSELF ...
WHAT A CREEP!
BOMBER ...
TO THINK THAT I'D MEET YOU AT MY PART TIME JOB...
HE'S THE FAN I TOLD YOU ABOUT BEFORE ...
Eh?!
NO... WHY DID I END UP MEETING HIM AGAIN?

I'VE BEEN WATCHING YOU THE WHOLE TIME I'VE BEEN AT WORK.
YOU...
THE GUY I HATE THE MOST!
AND FERRIS WHEEL ALL ALONE FUN?
THE MERRY-GO-ROUND
WAS RIDING THE ROLLER-COASTER,
HE'S...
RIE-CHAN'S FAN?
HE WAS WATCHING ME ALL DAY...
HAHA HA
IT WAS JUST A CHANGE OF PACE!
Ahaha
I'M WORRIED ABOUT A FEW THINGS AND THE RIDES TOOK MY MIND OF THEM.
...
WELL...

叶えちゃおう★夢
TRY LISTENING TO THIS AT TIMES LIKE THAT!
YOU'RE REALLY THAT WORRIED?
I SEE ...
THAT'S ...
I'LL TELL YOU ABOUT RIE-CHAN!
ALRIGHT! COME TO MY HOUSE!
TAICHI-SAN!

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